

**AMENDMENT**

**In the Specification:**

Please insert the following new paragraph at page 1, after the title as follows:

Cross-reference to related applications

This application is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/011,910, filed February 17, 1998, which is a 371 of PCT/IB96/00943, filed August 30, 1996, which claims priority to GB9517926.3, filed September 1, 1995, from which applications priority is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119 and §120, which applications are incorporated herein by reference in their entireties.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 15 as follows:

A suitable form of the protein of the invention might comprise, for example, a truncated form of the protein from which the transmembrane domain has been removed either ~~be~~ by a protein cleavage step ~~or, by~~ or, by design, in a chemical or recombinant DNA synthesis.

Please delete the table of contents occurring at page 12, line 4 through page 13, line 2.

Please insert the accompanying Abstract into the application after the claims.